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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : MARLIN STEPHEN HEILMAN et al.
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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING A CONDUIT
TO THE HEART OR A BLOOD VESSEL

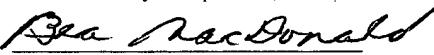
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2004, setting forth Final Rejection, please amend the application as set forth hereinafter.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

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